(*k*) The Director of Public Instruction reports that he has been reminded to bring out the book early.

(*l*) Yes.

(*m*) It is reported that the books have been very favourably reviewed, by the Committees competent to review Kannada books, both in and outside the State and that it is not clear what the objectionable matter referred to is.

(*n*) and (*o*) A statement furnishing the information is placed on the table (*Vide* Appendix U).

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Q.—47. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Whether they have any policy in the matter of permitting individual communities to set up their own deities in Government schools?

(*b*) Whether it is not undesirable that the public at large should take part in the celebration of any worship by students in Government schools?

(*c*) Whether it is a policy that every Government school should apply to the departmental head for permission to conduct any worship in the school?

(*d*) What connection was there between the 30th of July 1929 and the worship of *Ganapathi* by the students of Sultanpet Middle School on that day?

(*e*) Why were the students granted permission to worship Ganapathi on that particular day?

(*f*) Is it a fact that the Director of Public Instruction permitted the old boys of the school also to take part in the worship on 30th July 1929.

(*g*) Is it possible for any person to identify all the old boys of a Middle School?

(*h*) What is the total number of old boys of Sultanpet Middle School? If correct figures cannot be given, the answer may be given in hundreds or thousands?

(*i*) Whether it is a fact that outside gentlemen unconnected with the Middle School were permitted by the department to carry on negotiations with regard to worship on 30th July 1929?

(*j*) Whether it is not desirable that the schools should be freed from the political influences?

(*k*) Was not 30th July 1929 the day chosen by a section of the Hindus of Bangalore City to observe a *hartal*?

(*l*) How many different communities are represented in the Sultanpet Middle School?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENTS.—

A.—47. (*a*) Government will not permit individual communities to set up their own deities in Government schools.

(*b*) A school celebration should not be open to the public at large, except to the extent considered permissible by the authorities of the school.

(*c*) No hard and fast rule can be laid down in this regard, but conceivably circumstances may arise such as would render it desirable that worship or other ceremonials should not take place without the permission of the Director of Public Instruction.

(*d*) No connection.

(*e*) It was considered expedient to grant the permission asked for.

(*f*) Yes.

(*g*) No.

(*h*) It is not possible to give the total number, but it is estimated that on an average in the last 10 years about 75 a year passed out of the school.

(*i*) No.

(*j*) Yes.

(*k*) Yes.

(*l*) A statement showing the strength of the Institution by communities is placed on the table. (*Vide* Appendix V.)